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October 8, 1968

Attention: Mr. Robert Dwyer

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Assassination of
Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.

REC-52
J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR NO. 44-38861 - 5202
FBI FILE NO. D-680928019 JK
LAB. NO.

Examination requested by: FBI, Memphis
Reference: Letter 9/26/68
Examination requested: Document

4488***Three sheets of yellow ruled paper and one sheet of white ruled paper to "Sheriff Morris" and one sheet of white ruled paper to "Lt. Smith" bearing purported handwriting and hand printing standards of JAMES EARL RAY

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Result of examination:

The examinations reported in this communication are those requested during a conference with Mr. Robert Dwyer, Mr. James Beasley and Mr. John Carlyle of your office on September 26, 1968.

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Handwritten signatures and initials

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MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

Handwritten signatures and initials
Lafayette 2260

Specimen Qc288, a Canadian Money Order, is too indistinct for a satisfactory examination; however, differences were noted between the writings on this item and K211, K488, Q261 and Q262.

The "Galt" signatures alone appearing on Q86, Q131, Q132, Q141, Q173, Q216, Q219, Q221, Q223, Q226, Q258, Q260, Q327, Q337, Kc4 and K5 were determined to have been prepared by the writer of Q261 and Q262 (records of the bartender school in Los Angeles, California).

The conclusions reported in the following paragraph are the result of comparing pertinent questioned items with K211 (records of the Missouri State Prison), Q261 and Q262.

The questioned hand printing or handwriting and the signatures, where they appear, on Q133, Q134, Q215, Q216, Q219, Q221, Q223, Q260, Q326, Q327 and K5 were determined to have been prepared by the writer of K211, Q261 and Q262.

The items in question were compared with specimens K488, Q261 and Q262, previously described. As a result of these comparisons it was concluded that the questioned hand printing or handwriting and signatures, where they appear, on Q133, Q134, Q215, Q260, Q326, Q327 and K5 were prepared by the writer of K488, Q261 and Q262.

Specimen Q337, the location of which was requested by Mr. Beasley, was returned to the Los Angeles Division of this Bureau on May 17, 1968, with the results of a latent fingerprint examination.

K488 is returned to FBI, Memphis. Photographs were made.